

# ST. BRIGID

C A T H O L I C C H U R C H

807 Crafton St. Tahlequah, OK

El marco de la perspectiva de Dios es siempre la salvación. La promesa de Dios se cumplirá siempre. Ya desde el Antiguo Testamento, el profeta Isaías lo proclama. “Pues sus proyectos no son los míos, y mis caminos no son los mismos de ustedes, dice Yahvé. Así como el cielo está muy alto por encima de la tierra, así también mis caminos se elevan por encima de sus caminos y mis proyectos son muy superiores a los de ustedes. (Isaías 55:8-9).

Por otro lado, el Evangelio muestra nuevamente la gran bondad de Dios con la parábola de los trabajadores de la viña. Una historia con un final sorprendente. El dueño de la viña paga el salario por igual al que entró temprano, al mediodía y al caer la tarde.

¡Gracias Dios! Por pagarnos a todos igual, al inmigrante, al extranjero, al que radica en su tierra. Gracias, porque para ti todos somos raza santa y herederos de tu Reino. Pues, a que patrón se le ocurre contratar personal a última hora y pagar igual como el que tiene señoría. ¡No se vale Señor! decimos los humanos, eso es injusto. Prestemos atención, al mensaje. ¿Cuál es el punto de Jesús? ¿Qué pretendía con sus oyentes? Pretendía que cambiaran de pensamiento, que no fueran indiferentes con los que sufren, con los menos favorecidos. Ahora, qué pretende Jesús para nosotros en esta Liturgia. No se puede salir de la Eucaristía igual que cuando llegamos a ella. ¿Cuál es el camino a seguir de ahora en adelante? No seamos sordos a su voz, pongamos atención para trabajar en su viña.



## 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Are you envious because I am generous?” Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:15-16

¿O vas a tenerme rencor porque yo soy bueno? De igual manera, los últimos serán los primeros, y los primeros, los últimos”. - Mt 20, 15-16

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass 9/20/11, 1998, 1970 CCD. Licenciado el 8/19/87 Comisión Episcopal de Pastoral Litúrgica de la Conferencia del Episcopado Mexicano.

If I work for five hours, I expect to get paid for five hours. If I work for two, I expect to get paid for two. What if we worked for a company that paid everyone the same amount regardless of how long they worked? How would we feel going home with the same pay for working eight hours as my co-worker did for working only two hours? Secular wisdom would have a huge problem with this and a visit to the Labor Board would quickly pursue. But God’s ways are not our ways, and His wisdom is far superior to our own.

We sometimes think that if we pray more, better, or more fervently and go over and above with the practice of our faith, God will somehow reward us and present us with some kind of “merit badge.” Spiritual practices have only one true purpose: to deepen our love for God. That is the goal. In deepening our love for God, we also increase our ability to see God’s presence around us, living life more purposefully and contemplatively—doing all things with love. What if God chooses to

treat someone who has come into the faith later in life the same as someone who has devoted their whole lives to it? Does it really matter? If we approach our relationship with God with a kind of “merit badge” notion of faith, we can be more easily tempted to start feeling a little arrogant towards those who have not followed the same path as we have, lacking charity towards them and filling ourselves with pride. We can even see ourselves as the privileged few who have a corner on the faith and fully possess it. That way of thinking and acting does not align with God.

God is all about mercy in abundance and is ready to take any penitent sinner to himself regardless of when they come to Him. He is happy that they have come home and delights in their return. After all, if you really and truly love someone, does it matter what they will give you in return or what you receive as a benefit? If relationships were assessed based solely upon productivity, they would lack authentic love. We can invest too much self-interest in our prayer and neglect to see it as an opportunity to pursue our Lover and deepen the intimate bond we have with God. If my love for God is true and deep, I am going to want to live the Gospel, abide by the commandments, practice my faith, forgive and love my neighbor, and care for the environment, regardless of how much time it takes or benefits me. When we breathe our last, all that we take with us is charity. When we breathe our last, all that is of consequence is union with God.

## ST. BRIGID CHURCH

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### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday .....9:00 am - 4:00 pm

### SACRAMENTS

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday.....6:00-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance Wednesday.....6:00-6:30 pm

Saturday.....4:00-4:30pm

(Sacrament of Penance is also available by appointment)

### San Juan Diego Mission—Stilwell

**Misa en español: Domingo**.....8:30 am

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Sept. 20

Tuesday, Sept. 22

Wednesday, Sept. 23

Thursday, Sept. 24

Friday, Sept. 25

Saturday, Sept. 26 5:00pm

**St. Brigid Parishioners**

+Jeannie Carlile

+Arlan Hanson

+Jim Sanguinet

+Larry Peterson

+Arlan Hanson



### 2020 Weekend Mass Times:

First Saturday 9:00am English

Saturday 5:00 pm English

Sunday 10:30 am English

12:30 pm Spanish

### Weekday Mass Schedule:

Tuesday 5:30 pm

Wednesday 5:30 pm (Eng)

7:00 pm (Sp)

Thursday 12:15 pm

Friday 8:15 am

## Pope's September Prayer Intention:

### Respect for the Planet's Resources

“We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.”

## 40 Days for Life

### The Beginning of the End of Abortion

Mark your calendars for this year's 40 Days for Life Rally in Tulsa! From 6pm-7pm on Wednesday, September 23rd, Tulsa's Garden of Hope is where this peaceful vigil will gather together with many other cities across the U.S. to kick-off 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion! The 40 Days for Life Campaign is the largest and longest coordinated pro-life mobilization movement in history. To learn more about the Campaign, you can visit their main webpage at:

[www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)

To learn more about this year's Tulsa Rally you may visit their facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/40daysforlifetulsa](https://www.facebook.com/40daysforlifetulsa)

OR

Visit the diocesan webpage at:

<https://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/40-days-for-life>

## Sculpture Unveiling at Clear Creek Abbey

Work has been progressing on the abbey church at Clear Creek Monastery. On Sunday, September 27, the hand-carved stone sculptures of the main portals to the church will be unveiled in a special ceremony following the Conventual Mass (ceremony approximately 11:40 am).

St. Brigid parishioners are invited to attend this special event, or to stop by sometime to see this magnificent new addition to the Abbey now that it is unveiled to the public.

**Readings for the week of September 20, 2020**

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a  
Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13  
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22  
Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 [1]/Lk 9:43b-45  
Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-3

**Collections for September 13, 2020**

**Regular Collection: \$2,313.00**

**Holy Land Collection: \$105.00**

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults has begun!**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process by which those interested in joining the Catholic Church may discern that call. Our adult faith formation sessions for RCIA are open to all who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and her teachings. This also includes those already Catholic or who are baptized Catholic but have not yet made their First Communion and/or Confirmation. Steve Hamby conducts our sessions on Sunday mornings at 9 am in the first classroom on the right in the Activity Center.

**Financial Stewardship**

Thank you to all our parishioners who have continued their support of the Church during this time of pandemic. For those not yet returning to Mass, contributions can always be mailed to the parish office, or it is also possible to donate online to our church through the diocesan website:  
**[www.dioceseoftulsa.org/donate-to-support-a-specific-parish](http://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/donate-to-support-a-specific-parish)**

**Catholic Student Organization at NSU**

Our CSO is the campus ministry group for students at NSU. All college-age young adults are welcome to attend CSO events. For information, please contact Montana Hale at (918) 284-6869 or Noah Enlow at (918) 708-2458.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Molly Peterson, Sue Hooper, Patty Calloway, Doug Roberts, Jane Bailey, Mary Thirsty, Abigail Flavin, Donna Lewis, Janie Hanson, Wallace H. Allen, Janice Archer, Rolland Turcotte, Lisa Herrin, Justin Simmons, Mary White, Sally Hilger, Mary Fulk, John Witosky, William Righthouse, Anita Brockman, Courtney Short, Don Brockman, Larry Guthrie, Amanda King-Summers, Marty Barnett, Robert Nicodemus, Nathaniel Galdamez, Rex Fann, Dean Harless, Terry Dunlap, Angie Fay, Gary Harrington, Maddie Cochran, Kirby Merrill, Marquetta Lyons, Renee Ridge, Ann Payette, Carol Carroll, Michael Roberts, Jim Roberts, Alana Roberts, Dixon Davis, Tiffany Robinson, Caden Murphy, Bill Scrimshire, Kylee Osburn, Donald Sizemore, Zack Kelley, Carrie Ann Mitchell, Melynda Elias, Jesse Price, Alan Linde, Joyce Eastham, Bobby Dean Ward, Rose Penton, Rosa Castillo, Margaret Miller, Meaghan Roberts, Kyla Roberts, Charlee Burke, Keith Burke, Glenda Burke, Debbie Rich, Kim Harris, Melanie Medaris, Kelly Callaway, Darren Sunday, Della Moore, Mary DeHaas, Kathy Seidletz, Jon Mitchell, David Alley, Andy Groat, Angie Mitchell, Emily Mitchell, Walter Sizemore, Jessie Casey, Michael Murphy, Tony Croman, Jonah Evans, Janice Booker, Matt Booker, Eddie Booker, Calvin Pope, Jasmine Evans, Calvin McCoy, Danny Craig, Laura Lollar, Karan Housley, Eddy Mcinnis, Colin Mcinnis, Cathy Farinelli, Tom Carlile, Mary Mead, Connor McClure, Terry Hearn, Jim Madison, Steve Blair, Jennifer Vinson Bobby McCaslin, and all our military.

**BAPTISMAL CLASSES/PLATICAS PRE-BAUTISMALES**

Las platicas pre-bautismales reunen el primer domingo de cada mes a las 11 am en el salon con Sra. Lula Andrade.  
Baptismal classes for parents and godparents in English may be scheduled with Fr. Stuart through the Parish Office.

**Sing Praise! Youth Event**

St. Brigid will be hosting a Sing Praise night for middle and high school age youth sponsored by the diocesan Youth Office. The event will be Wednesday, September 23, from 6:30-8:00 pm.

**Reminders about CoVID-19 Precautions**

Tahlequah does have a mandatory mask ordinance in place for places of public accommodation, which includes churches. If you need a mask when attending Mass, we have some disposable ones available in the church foyer. Hand sanitizer is also available in the pews and in the foyer for your use. Thank you to everyone for your consideration of others in helping us abide by these protocols.

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